GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Collapse of bridge on sukhro river
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rail bridge on Sukhro river between Nazibabad and Kotdwar collapsed during the month of July 2016;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has taken steps to reconstruct the Bridge so that rail traffic is restored between Nazibabad and Kotdwar; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time likely to be taken to reconstruct the bridge ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (d): There is a Railway bridge No. 16 (seven spans of 9.15m each) across River Sukhro in Najibabad − Kotdwar section of Northern Railway. Due to flash floods in the river on 23.07.2016, the foundation of pier No. 4 of this bridge scoured and pier got damaged resulting into suspension of rail traffic on the bridge. Subsequently, pier No. 1 and some protection work of the bridge also got damaged during second spell of flash floods occurred in the river on 13.09.2016.

For restoration of rail traffic on the section, action has been taken to rebuild the bridge by providing two spans of 30.5m each. It is planned to complete the bridge by March 2017.

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